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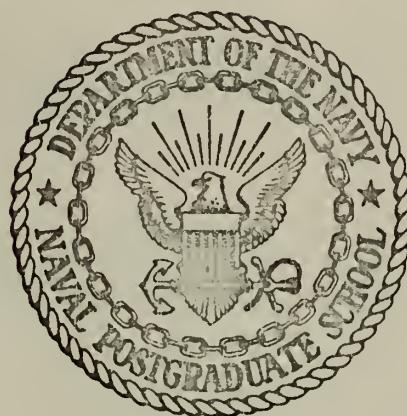
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ABSTRACT

This thesis presents the development of a helicopter gross weight calculator. Required qualities for aircraft system components such as durability, reliability and low weight are met using an LSI micro-processor. The prototype system which was developed weighs approximately four pounds and has approximate dimensions of 7" x 5" x $\frac{1}{2}$ ". The cost estimate for the system is less than \$350. The calculator solution is based on the solution technique currently being used by Naval Aviators which is obtained from nomographs in the aircraft NATOPS Manual. Minor modifications are required to make this system applicable to different helicopter types. A listing of the calculator program and a discussion of the prototype's operation are included.

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I. INTRODUCTION

Each type of operational helicopter employed by the Navy and Marine Corps has an associated Naval Air Training and Operating Procedures Standardization (NATOPS) Manual. One section of the NATOPS Manual is comprised of a set of charts which may be used by aviators to determine specific values to measure the aircraft flight performance capabilities. In particular, one chart provides the aviator with a value for the maximum allowable gross weight for which the helicopter may be transitioned from forward flight to a hover without the contribution to lift capability provided by an associated "ground cusion" (Hover Out of Ground Effect). The HOGE Charts of the NATCPS Manual are in fact the primary method presently available to Naval Aviators for determining a predicted gross weight to hover. This parameter is considered critical to helicopter commanders for all operational flights. A standard aircraft mission for any given day may dictate variations in aircraft configuration due to "payload" changes and fuel consumption. These variations are generally not condusive to preschedueling. Atmospheric conditions and altitude requirements are subject to significant changes during any twenty-four hour period. These factors all contribute to necessitate continual updates of lifting capability.

The HOGE charts are generally nomographs which represent a compilation of test data for a given aircraft type. Input parameters to the nomograph are pressure altitude, ambient

air temperature and wind speed. To determine the gross weight hovering capability, the pilot enters the associated nomograph with a value for pressure altitude. The intersection of a line horizontal from the pressure altitude with the ambient temperature line projected vertically downward to the gross weight scale yields a value for the no-wind gross weight. Determination of the temperature line, unless it coincides with a range boundary, requires an interpolation process. The standard procedure for this process is to assume that all temperature lines are parallel to their closest boundary temperature line and that the distance between each successive temperature line is equal. The no-wind gross weight may be adjusted to account for wind speed. The gross weight determined above is used as an input to the second part of the nomograph. The graph is entered vertically with the no-wind gross weight value. This point is moved parallel to its closest wind line until it reaches a line corresponding to the input wind speed magnitude. The vertical projection of this intersection to the weight scale is the maximum gross weight with which a helicopter can hover under the given atmospheric conditions.

A sample solution is shown in Figure 1. At point 1, the pilot enters the nomograph with a pressure altitude of 10,000 feet. He then moves horizontally to point 2, the ambient temperature line of 15 degrees. Projecting point 2 vertically to point 2b produces the no-wind gross weight of 7000 pounds. To correct for a wind speed of twenty knots, the graph is

entered at point 2a with the no-wind gross weight value. This point is moved parallel to its closest wind line as shown to point 3 where the wind line intersects the headwind line associated with twenty knots. The vertical projection of point 3 to point 3a produces a gross weight value of 7875 pounds.

Before any landing or take off is made in a Naval helicopter, the aircraft commander is expected to insure, using a nomograph in the NATOPS Manual, that the maneuver is executable with respect to aircraft weight limitations. Assuming he knows his present gross weight, he subtracts it from the computed gross weight to determine if he can land. If the number is negative, he should not land. If it is zero, he can land but cannot increase the gross weight before taking off again. If it is a positive number, that is how much of a load he can safely take on.

Many times what actually happens is that either the pilot does not have a NATOPS Manual in the aircraft or he doesn't use it. It is much easier to rely on experience and guessing than to read the graph. The size of the NATOPS Manual tends to minimize its use in an aircraft cockpit. Also, some interpolation of the HOGE charts is required. Without a certain degree of care in the interpolation process, the resulting critical parameter will contain significant error. Aircraft vibration plus cockpit responsibilities are factors which may restrict effective chart interpolation in a cockpit environment. The pilot,

SAMPLE SOLUTION

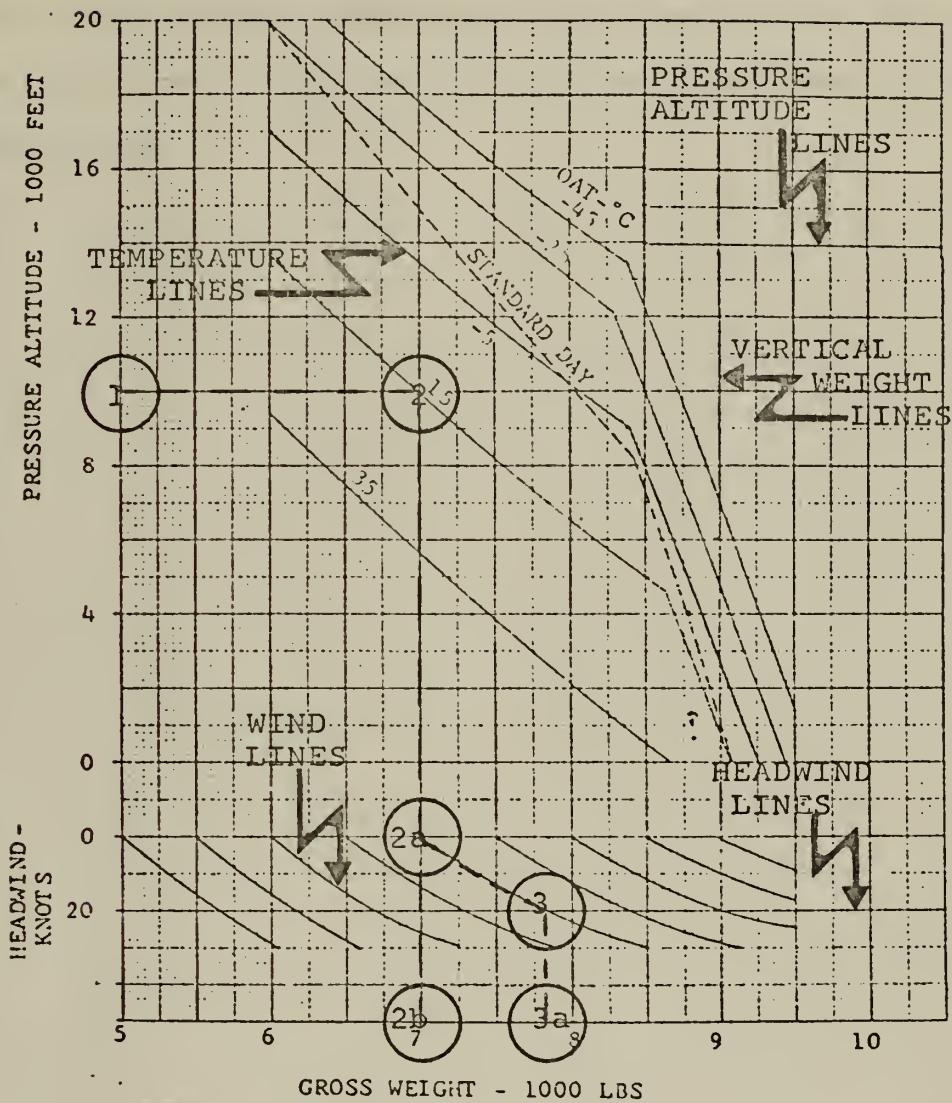


FIGURE 1

therefore, may attempt to land or take off when the graph should have told him it would be impossible. The Navy Safety Center states that 10% of helicopter crashes are caused by overweight conditions and they suspect that the figure could be as high as 40% if the actual causes could be determined.

II. ALTERNATE SOLUTIONS

In light of the previous discussion, it is evident that an improved technique for determining the maximum gross weight which will still permit a hover must be developed for cockpit use.

Under the Joint Army-Navy Aircraft Instrument Research (JANAIR) sponsorship, Transonics Incorporated has developed a Helicopter Lift Margin System (HLMS) described in reference 1, which is intended to fill this cockpit requirement. Flight tests are currently being conducted by the United States Army Aviation Systems Test Activity, USAASTA, at Edwards Air Force Base, to evaluate the effectiveness of Transonic's HLMS. It is claimed that this system will compute the gross weight of the aircraft using analog input from the engine and rotors. The engine inputs will tell how efficiently the aircraft engine is performing. Rotor input will tell how efficiently the rotor system is lifting the aircraft depending on the outside air temperature and air density at that time. The pilot would input headwind and altitude. Once the gross weight is computed, the theoretical maximum gross weight computed for the given conditions is computed. The actual gross weight is then subtracted from the theoretical maximum gross weight. The result is the lift margin for that specific aircraft on that specific time of day with those specific atmospheric conditions.

Another system developed by Marconi Elliott Avionics Systems Ltd. of Great Britain provides the pilot with a power margin indication in terms of a ratio between the present engine power output to maximum power output. The Elliott Helicopter Energy and Rotor Management System, HERMES, of reference 2, expects pilot input of temperature, static air pressure and helicopter gross weight. The temperature and pressure are used to compute engine power output based on data from Bristol-Siddeley Technical Specification Number TSC 160 applicable to the Gnome H 1400. Using computed power output, the maximum weight lifting capability is computed. This value is then compared with the weight input to determine the power margin. The HERMES system is compact and weighs approximately eighteen pounds. The accuracy and reliability of this system as well as the general use potential and cost are not yet available.

The advent of micro-computers with their many favorable qualities such as low cost, high durability, low power requirements, miniature size and light weight, along with the fact that they are programmable, has produced a need to examine the potential of these computers in systems requiring these properties.

The fact that the previously mentioned systems have been developed is sufficient to justify the obviousness of the need. Caution should be exercised with the hardware selection to insure that the operational computer will best meet the system requirements.

The intent of this thesis is to investigate the suitability of the use of a micro-computer as an alternative method of solution to system requirements of the type described. For this investigation, the primary considerations are the following: the system must possess an acceptable degree of accuracy, it must produce usable output, it must be adaptable to a helicopter cockpit, and it must be competitively priced. The application discussed here uses an MCS-4 micro-computer built by Intel, described in Reference 3, as the basis for the design of a prototype system which will accept a set of input parameters and produce the gross weight capabilities of a helicopter as output.

III. SOLUTION

The Nomographs which are presently used by Naval Aviators to provide aircraft performance limits were divided into regions as indicated in Figure 3. The curve segments within each region are represented in the solution by linear approximations of those segments using the end points of each segment to determine the respective slope and intercept. The slope of a given segment is not necessarily equal to the slope of the preceding segment in that region; therefore, slopes are adjusted using the differential slope between two segments in a region and the associated differential temperature. For this application, the temperature differential between any two segments is assumed to be linear. The computed values of slope and intercept for each segment within each region are stored in a data table.

The input temperature dictates the starting position in the data table. A higher likelihood exists that the computed value of gross weight will fall in region II or region III based on standard day temperature and normal altitude requirements. For this application, the first computation uses coefficients associated with segments in region II rather than region III. This eliminates the possibility of three iterations to compute the no-wind gross weight. Once the initial value for gross weight is determined, the magnitude is compared to a test value which separates region II from region III. In the event that the value for gross

weight is less than the test value, a second test is made to determine if the gross weight is in region I. If either test condition is met, the coefficients for that region are used to compute a new no-wind gross weight. If neither test condition is met, the computed value is the no-wind gross weight.

The value of no-wind gross weight is used to determine the entry point into the wind speed correction data table. The seven wind speed regions are each segmented at intervals representing ten knots of wind speed. Coefficients corresponding to segment slopes are loaded from the data table to adjust the gross weight for wind. The wind speed adjustment is made in increments of ten knots. The coefficient is updated after each computation and input wind speed is reduced by ten knots. The final adjustment for wind speed is made when the current value of wind speed is between zero and ten knots. The resultant is output as the maximum gross weight for HOGE relative to the set of input parameters. A device which will accept the indicated input parameters, operate on those parameters, and output a value for the maximum gross weight was constructed. The device hereafter referred to as the Helicopter Gross Weight Indicator, HGWI, employs components available to students at the Naval Postgraduate School micro-computer laboratory. The hardware for the HGWI prototype consists of an MCS-4 computer interfaced with an input-output device. The software is comprised of a data structure, a set of subroutines and a main program.

The data structure is the section of software which is aircraft type dependent. It consists of a table or set of tables in read-only-memory (ROM) containing constants extracted from a specific nomograph. The HH-IK helicopter was arbitrarily selected as the representative aircraft for development of the data structure in this particular HGWI. Further references to this particular system use the designation HGWI/HH-IK.

The main program is an algorithm which, using a set of subroutines and the data structure, operates on the input parameters to compute a solution for output by the HGWI. The hardware, data structure, subroutines and main program are further described in subsequent sections.

A. HARDWARE

The MCS-4 micro-computer set [Ref. 3] consists of the following three chips, each packaged in a sixteen pin DIP package:

- (1) A Central Processor Unit Chip (CPU 4004)
- (2) A Read Only Memory Chip (ROM 4001)
- (3) A Random Access Memory Chip (RAM 4002)

The prototype also includes a keyboard type input-output device with its associated electronics. This keyboard in the production model would have to be modified to eliminate the illegal keys and excess Light Emitting Diodes.

1. 4004 CPU

The CPU contains the control unit and the arithmetic unit. It works in conjunction with the 4001 ROM'S and the

4002 RAM'S and the I/O package to form a completely self contained system. The CPU communicates with the RAM'S and ROM'S of the system through a four line data bus and with the I/O package through ROM ports.

2. 4001 ROM

The 4001 ROM is a 2048 Bit Metal Mask programmable ROM. Each chip is organized as 256 x 8 bit words which contain the program and data table. Each chip also has a four bit input-output (I/O) port which is used to route information to and from the data bus lines in and out of the system. The prototype uses eight 1702 programmable ROMS. The 1702 is equivalent to the 4001 ROM except that the 1702 may be erased and reused. Seven 4001 ROMS would be used in the production model.

3. 4002 RAM

The 4002 RAM stores three hundred twenty bits arranged as four registers of twenty-four bit characters which are divided into sixteen main memory characters plus four status characters. The prototype contains four 4002 RAM chips.

Input is accomplished by a standard mechanical type keyboard in the prototype. Output is through sixteen light emitting diode digits which are connected to the CPU through a shift register and a decoder/driver, as in Figure 2.

When a key on the keyboard is depressed, this mechanically sets up a BCD code at the output of the keyboard. This code contains one extra bit which tells whether the

depressed key is a number or a control key. If the key is a number, it is transferred, by software, to a designated position in RAM register fifteen. If it is a control key, program control is transferred to the section of the program which will correctly process the key. Since all keys on this particular keyboard are not required, all illegal keys are ignored. Repeatedly during the input process, a routine is called to display RAM register fifteen. This display routine sets one bit of the shift register. This bit is shifted at every clock pulse. As the bit is shifted, the corresponding LED is enabled. The number which is displayed on the enabled LED is the input to the decoder/driver. This input comes from the enabled position of RAM register fifteen. The enabled position of RAM register fifteen is controlled in the same manner as the enabled LED. Each position of RAM register fifteen will contain either a BCD zero through nine or a fifteen. BCD digits are displayed on the enabled LED as decimal digits, while a fifteen is displayed as a blank.

Because the shifting is so rapid, it appears to the user that the whole decimal number is being displayed at one time. In actuality, only one digit is being displayed at a given instant by the DISPLAY routine.

B. DATA STRUCTURE

Two tables of data are required for the HGWI/HH-IK. One table is a four by fifteen array which contains the constants required to compute the no wind gross weight.

There are four twenty-degree temperature ranges depicted in Figure 3, where temperature units are degrees centigrade. Range 1 is from -45° to -25° , range 2 is from -25° to -5° , range 3 is from -5° to 15° and range 4 is from 15° to 35° . The columns of Table I correspond to these temperature ranges. Each temperature range is divided into three regions to improve the linearity assumption. Region I is separated from region II by the 7,500 pound gross weight line. Region II is separated from region III by a line connecting the points where the change in slope of the two lines describing a range is maximum. Therefore, each column of Table I contains the coefficients needed to describe four line segments; one within each region and one which separates region II and region III. The second table is a seven by three array. The gross weight for the HGWI/HH-IK may range from 6,000 to 9,500 pounds. The curves which describe the correction for wind speed extend from each 500 pound increment along the gross weight line. The seven increments correspond to the seven columns of Table II. Again, to improve accuracy, the curves of each increment are defined at ten knot intervals. The HGWI/HH-IK corrects for wind speeds up to thirty knots; therefore, there are three rows per column of Table II.

The constants stored in Table I represent the slopes, differential slopes, intercepts and differential intercepts of the line segments as described above. Table II consists of the slopes of the line segments used to correct for wind speed. All constants are stored in a single ROM

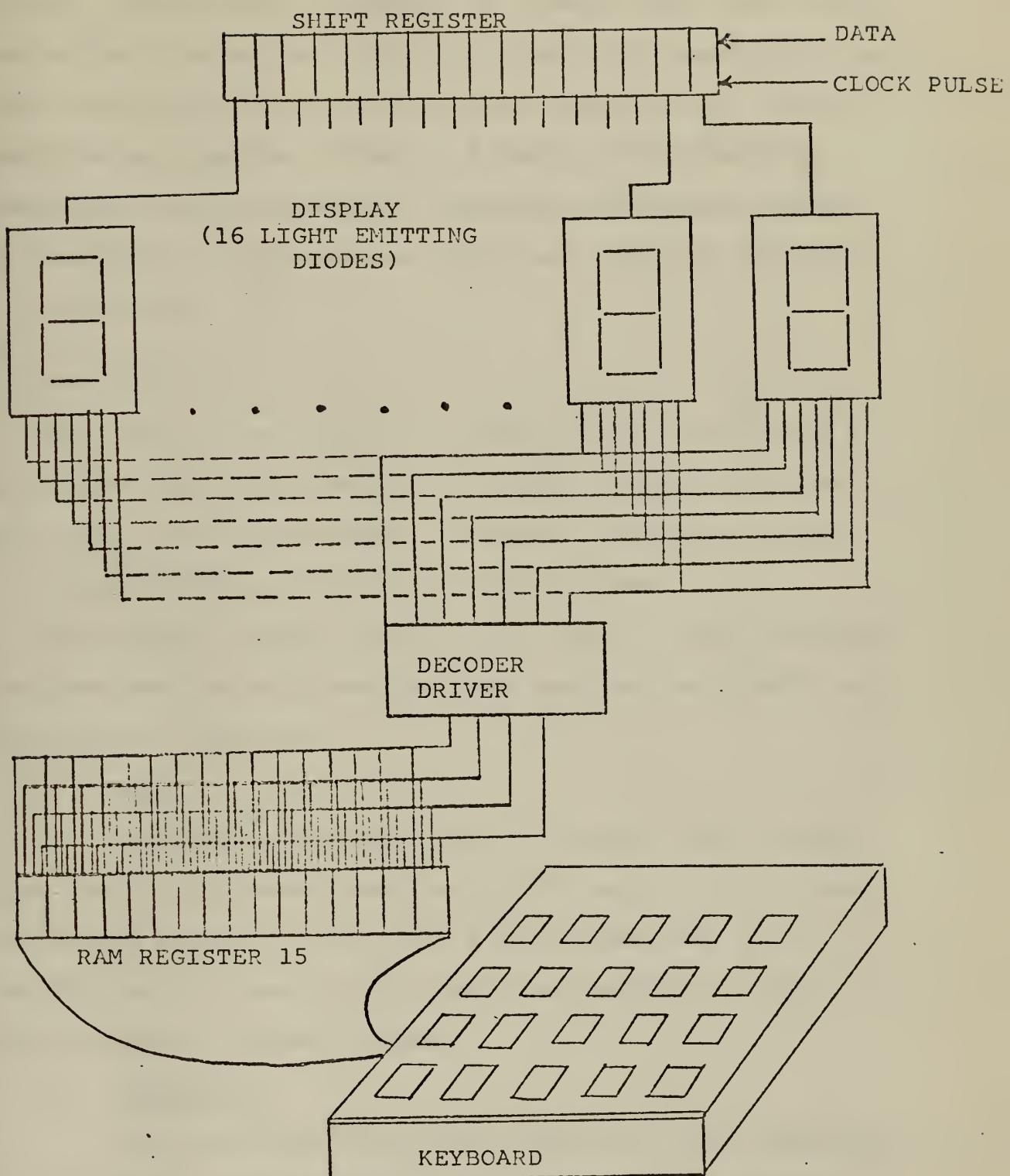


FIGURE 2.

chip. Two eight bit locations are required per constant stored. Each number is stored in reverse order since this technique is more compatible with the MCS-4 instruction set. The upper four bits of each constant are used to indicate positive or negative numbers. A zero in this location indicates positive numbers. Negative numbers are stored in the ROM in tens complement form and the sign character is set to one.

C. SUBROUTINES

The subroutines used in the HGWI/HH-IK Calculator can be divided into three main categories: general purpose, arithmetic, and input-output routines. Appendix C gives a complete listing of the calculator program.

The general purpose routines are used by the arithmetic routines and the main program, and perform tasks which are consistently repeated.

1. MOVE

The MOVE subroutine takes a sixteen digit number from the RAM register specified by CPU register pair ten-eleven and moves it along with status character zero to the RAM register and status character specified by CPU register pair fourteen-fifteen.

2. COMPLEMENT

The subroutine COMPLEMENT takes the Tens complement of the sixteen digit number which is in the RAM register specified by CPU register pair fourteen-fifteen.

3. SHIFLT

The SHIFLT routine takes the sixteen digit number which is in the RAM register specified by CPU register pair twelve-thirteen and shifts it left the number of decimal places specified by CPU register fifteen. The number in CPU register fourteen must agree with the number in CPU register twelve.

4. ZERORR

ZERORR takes the RAM register specified by CPU register pair fourteen-fifteen and places zeroes in each of its sixteen positions and sets its status characters to zero.

5. SHIFRT

SHIFRT is used to take a specified RAM register and shift it right a specified number of decimal digits. The programmer is responsible for making sure that the correct digits of the correct register are specified. SHIFRT assumes that CPU register pair twelve-thirteen contains the address of the rightmost digit of the desired RAM register. In addition, SHIFRT insures that CPU register pair fourteen-fifteen contains the address of the rightmost digit in the desired RAM register minus the number of places to be shifted.

6. SWITCH

SWITCH is a data manipulation routine which takes two eight bit words from the ROM address specified by CPU register pair zero-one. The first one-and-a-half words are the desired number in BCD. These three BCD digits are stored

in the first three positions of the specified RAM register. The last half of the second word in RAM is written into status character zero. If this is an odd number, it indicates the number is negative and this number is in tens complement form. As a result, nines must be placed in positions three to fifteen of the designated RAM register.

7. INIT

INIT initializes the CPU by placing zeroes in CPU registers two through fifteen, a one in register twelve, and a two in register fourteen. INIT also clears both the accumulator and the carry.

8. LOAD

Subroutine LOAD is required because of an idiosyncrasy of the machine. With the MCS-4 one cannot fetch indirect (FIN) from ROM unless the FIN instruction is on the same chip as the constant to be fetched. LOAD transfers an eight bit word from ROM to CPU registers two and three.

9. INITC

INITC is a routine which initializes the CPU registers with constants which are needed to compute the address of entry into a table of constants. These constants are particular to an aircraft type; therefore, they are stored at the base of data Table I.

10. ASCOL

After INITC has loaded into CPU register four the RAM location which contains the computed no-wind gross weight, ASCOL is called to inspect the contents of that RAM. The

column of Table II which contains the constants of interest is numbered corresponding to the number of 500 pound increments above a given base value. ASCOL sets a flag by incrementing CPU register eleven if the weight value in the designated RAM location has a hundreds digit of five or more. The value of the thousands digit is then loaded into CPU register nine. Control is then returned to the calling program.

11. COLNUM

When COLNUM is called, INITC will have loaded a base value in CPU register six, and either TEMPCOL or ASCOL will have loaded CPU register nine with a value to be compared to this base. The base value is the minimum value of temperature if access of Table I is desired or the minimum thousands digit on the gross weight scale if accessing Table II. COLNUM compares register nine with register six and increments the register six value until it is greater than the value in register nine. By fixing the value of the increment and counting the number of increments made, the column number of Table I or the number of thousand pound increments which will be used to determine the column number of Table II, is computed and stored in CPU register eight.

12. COLNUMAS

The subroutine COLNUMAS computes the column number of Table II. COLNUMAS doubles the value in CPU register eight which was returned from COLNUM and adds CPU register eleven which was set by ASCOL. This result is left in CPU register eight.

13. LOADROBAS

This routine loads from the table of constants the number of rows per column in a given table and stores the value in CPU register seven. The base address of the desired table of constants is loaded into CPU register pair zero-one.

14. ASCHECK

To insure that the input value of wind speed is acceptable, ASCHECK inspects the wind speed RAM location. Values of wind speed greater than thirty knots cause ASCHECK to initiate the error routine.

15. TEMPCOL

Prior to calling TEMPCOL, the RAM location of the scaled input temperature will be loaded into CPU register pair four and five by INITC. TEMPCOL checks the value in that location to insure the input temperature is greater than -45° . If not, the value is outside the range of this application and an error condition results. If the input temperature value is acceptable, TEMPCOL loads the tens digit of that value into CPU register nine and increments it by one if the value of the units digit is greater than zero. The number returned in CPU register nine will be referenced by COLNUM to determine the column number of Table I to access.

16. ADDRS

This subroutine is called after the CPU registers have been initialized. The column number of interest will

have been loaded into register eight by TEMPCOL and COLNUM for Table I or by ASCOL, COLNUM and COLNUMAS for Table II. The table base address was loaded into register pair zero-one and the value of the number of rows per column was loaded into register seven by LOADROBAS. ADDRS then computes the address of entry into the respective table of constants by adding to the table base address the product of the column number and the number of rows per column. Control is returned to the calling program with the required address in register pair zero-one.

17. TESTPA

The input value of pressure altitude is inspected by TESTPA. Values greater than 20,000 result in an error condition.

The arithmetic routines are used in the computation of the problem. All negative numbers are in tens complement form with an odd number stored in status character zero. This status character is an easy means of detecting negative numbers. The procedure is to read the status character into the accumulator, clear the carry bit and then rotate the accumulator right one bit. If the carry is on, the number is negative; if it is not on, the number is positive.

18. ADDIT

An arithmetic routine which takes two sixteen digit numbers in RAM registers zero and one and adds them together. The result is in RAM register zero.

19. SUBTRACT

Subroutine SUBTRACT takes a sixteen digit number in RAM register one and subtracts a sixteen digit number in RAM register zero from it. If the number in RAM register zero is negative, the routine recomplements it and adds it to the number in RAM register one. The resulting number is always in RAM register zero.

20. MULT

MULT is a six digit multiply routine using the shift-and-add algorithm. MULT calls SETUP which determines whether the answer will be a positive or a negative number. This is determined by adding the status characters of the two numbers. If the result is an odd number, the multiplication will yield a negative number. If it is an even number, the resulting multiplication is positive. The result of the multiplication is in RAM register zero.

Input-output control of the program is accomplished through CHECKNOSTROBE. The program remains in a loop as long as there is no key on the keyboard depressed. Inside this loop is a call to subroutine DISPLAY which displays the sixteen digit contents of RAM register fifteen. When a key is not depressed, ROM port 1 is read as a one and the loop continues. As soon as a key is depressed, control of the program is transferred to CHECKSTROBE. CHECKSTROBE uses the five-bit key code to index a table called KEYTAB. KEYTAB consists of thirty two jump unconditional instructions each of which corresponds to a legal key or an illegal key.

There are twenty seven keys on the prototype, sixteen legal keys and eleven illegal keys. Control is transferred to the correct code for the depressed key through these jump unconditional instructions in KEYTAB. There are seven routines for legal keys. An illegal key merely transfers control back to CHECKNOSTROBE. The legal keys are described below.

1. Number

The code associated with a number key takes a decimal digit and stores it into RAM register fifteen in the next available digit position. Control is then transferred back to CHECKNOSTROBE.

2. Temperature

The code for the temperature key takes the decimal number in RAM register fifteen, adds forty-five to it as a scale factor and places the result in RAM register A. Control is transferred to OUTCLEAR which loads fifteen into RAM register fifteen. This character displays as a blank. OUTCLEAR then transfers control to CHECKNOSTROBE.

3. Speed

When the speed key is depressed, this code transfers the decimal digit of RAM register fifteen to RAM register six, then transfers control to OUTCLEAR which, in turn, transfers control to CHECKNOSTROBE.

4. Altitude

This key transfers the decimal digits in RAM register fifteen to RAM register five and, after shifting left two places, control is transferred back to CHECKNOSTROBE through OUTCLEAR.

5. Negative

This code allows negative temperatures to be placed into the prototype. If the number is negative when the temperature key is depressed, the contents of RAM register fifteen is complemented and then the forty-five scale factor is added.

6. Compute

The compute key transfers control to the start of the main program. After computation has been completed and the correct answer is stored in RAM register fifteen, control is returned to CHECKNOSTROBE which will display the result while waiting for further input.

7. Clear

When the clear key is depressed, this code transfers control to OUTCLEAR which blanks out RAM register fifteen and then returns control to CHECKNOSTROBE.

Two service routines are used by CHECKNOSTROBE and CHECKSTROBE. They are:

1. DELAY

The DELAY routine is a double nested loop which, due to instruction cycle time, results in a five hundred microsecond wait.

2. CHECK

CHECK is a service routine which, during each transfer of a number from RAM register fifteen to another register, checks to see if the number being transferred is a fifteen. If it is, the fifteen is not transferred and control is returned to where the subroutine CHECK was called.

D. MAIN PROGRAM

The main program is the problem flow controller for the HGWI. This section of software calls the available subroutines to perform necessary arithmetic operations and character manipulations in order to arrive at a solution. The main program is entered with the input parameters loaded into their respective save registers of RAM. Register five contains the pressure altitude, register six holds the wind speed and register ten contains the scaled temperature. Registers four and nine are temporary locations used to save TI, a temperature increment used to adjust the base temperature line within a given range, and the various stages of computation of gross weight, respectively. The CPU registers are cleared and then initialized with constants which enable subsequent subroutines to compute the input temperature range. The column number, the number of rows per column, and the base address of Table I will permit computation of the address of entry into Table I. As was mentioned, the no wind gross weight for this application is determined by first computing a weight value by assuming the input parameters, temperature and pressure altitude, will fall in region II of Figure 3. The algorithm used in the solution of this application consists of the following steps:

1. First determine an initial value for W which satisfies the equation:

$$W = A(1-B \cdot TI)PA + C + D \cdot TI$$

Where A is the slope of the segment representing the highest

temperature in region II, B is the difference between the slopes of the bounding segments divided by the difference in temperature representation of the bounding segments, and C is the value of the intercept along the abscissa of the base segment within a particular region. The value D is the difference between the intercepts of the bounding segments of a particular region divided by the difference in temperature representation of those bounding segments.

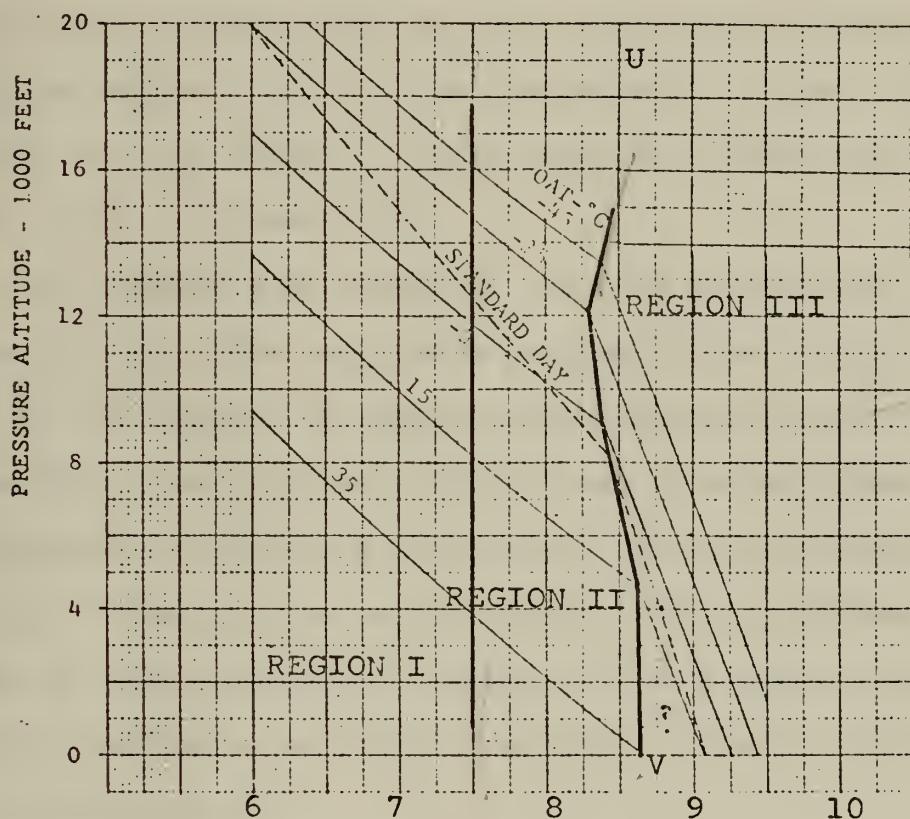


FIGURE 3 GROSS WEIGHT - 1000 LBS.

TI is the difference between the value of temperature represented by the base segment and the scaled input temperature, and PA is the input pressure altitude. The constants A, B, C and D are available in Table I. They are stored with at most three characters of significance.

2. The next step is to determine a value for W_t which satisfies the equation:

$$W_t = E \cdot PA + F$$

Where E is the slope of UV, the line which separates region II from region III, and F is the intercept along the abscissa of UV.

3. The computed value of W is then compared to the computed value of W_t .

If W is greater than W_t , then the input parameters must fall in region III. If the comparison of step 3 determines that W is less than W_t , then step 3a is executed. Otherwise, step 4 is executed.

3a. Compare the computed value of W with the weight value, 7500, which separates region I from region II.

If the compare of step 3a determines that W is greater than 7500, then W must be the final no-wind gross weight. If, however, W is less than 7500, step 4a is executed.

4. Finally, the new constants A3, B3, C3 and D3 applicable to the segments of region III are substituted for the initial values in equation one and a final no-wind gross weight is computed.

4a. Upon reaching this final step, new constants A1, B1, C1, and D1 are substituted into equation one. W , the final no-wind gross weight, is computed.

For the HGWI/HH-IK, the final no-wind gross weight computed above must be adjusted to compensate for the scale difference between the units along the ordinate and abscissa

of Figure 3. The main program beginning at the label XINIT accomplishes this adjustment with the equation:

$$W = W/4 + 6000$$

If a flag had been set to indicate the presence of wind, the no-wind gross weight is now modified to account for the contribution to lifting capability due to wind. The correction is made using the equation:

$$W = K \cdot AS + W_0$$

Where K is the scale factor, 50, times the slope of the segment of interest, AS is the magnitude of the input wind speeds, and W_0 is the previously computed no-wind gross weight.

The column number for entry into Table II is determined by inspecting W_0 . For this application, the slope of the weight correction lines is changed at each ten knot increment. Therefore, for values of wind speed in excess of ten knots, the first W computed replaces W_0 for the next iteration. This process, illustrated by dotted lines in Figure 4, may need to be repeated at most twice. The computed gross weight is then moved to the display register.

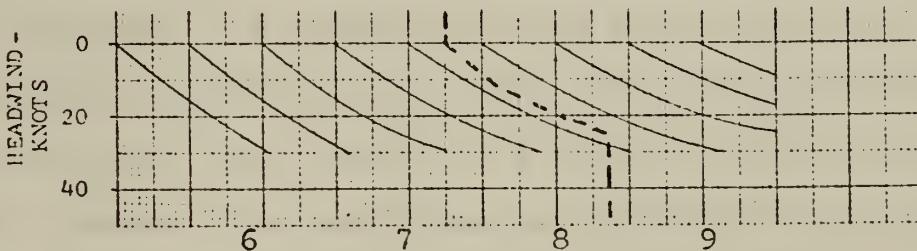


FIGURE 4 GROSS WEIGHT - 1000 LBS.

E. SUMMARY

The data for this application was extracted from the nomograph shown in Figure 5. The information produced by this system is therefore of the same quality and value as that obtainable directly from the nomograph. The nomographs are constructed from data obtained from test flights and are adjusted to apply to a helicopter equipped with a specification engine. An adjustment is made to allow for a five per cent fuel gauge error. Manufacturers guarantee that all engines will perform at or above the level of a specification engine. The gross weight values are therefore maximum only to an aircraft with a specification engine.

Nomographs applicable to several models of operational helicopters are included in Appendix A. The similarity of the various nomographs would allow, with minor modification to this system, a general system applicable to any of the associated aircraft. The only requirement would be to replace the ROM chip which contains the tables of constants.

A system comparable to the prototype could be produced at an approximate unit cost of \$350. For an associated cost increase, the system could be easily adapted to analog inputs from temperature and pressure sensing devices, requiring only that the pilot dial in the headwind speed. In this manner, one could have a continuous read-out of maximum gross weight for hovering. This would be particularly useful for the loading of troops or cargo because before the pilot lands, it would be possible to know how much added weight he could take on.

MAXIMUM GROSS WEIGHT FOR HOVERING

OUT OF GROUND EFFECT - MILITARY POWER

3.5°C INLET TEMPERATURE RISE

Model(s): UH/TH-1L,HH-1K
 Data as of: August 1969
 DATA BASIS: Army Phase D

ENGINE RPM 6600

Engine(s): T53-L-13B
 Fuel Grade: JP-4/JP-5
 Fuel Density: 6.5 Lb/Gal.

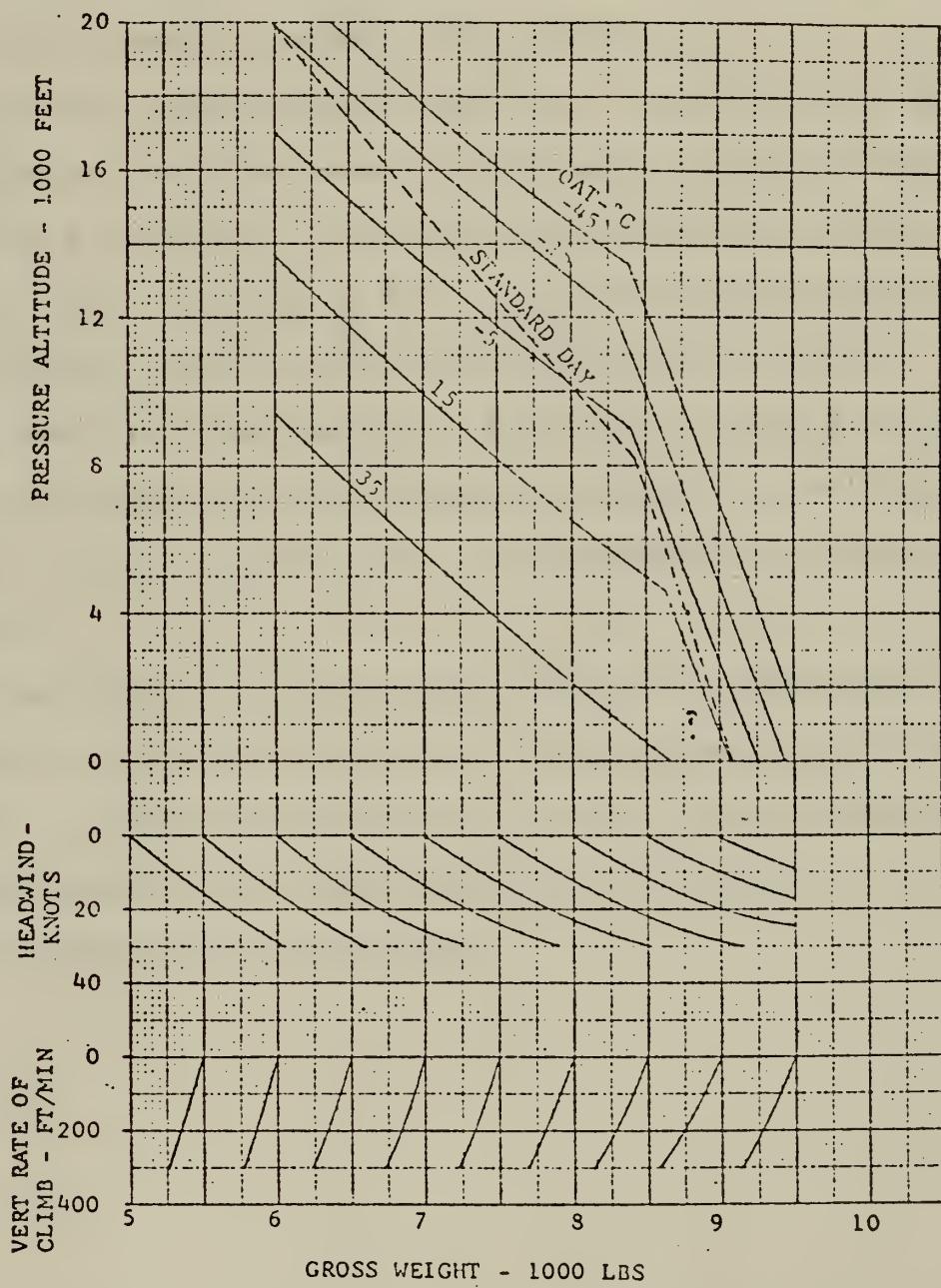


FIGURE 5.

If it were desired to allow the pilot to vary any or all of the inputs, it would be possible to keep the analog input, but also be able to set the variable at any desired value. This would allow a pilot to determine his safety margin before every take off and landing.

The primary contribution made by a system similar to the prototype described here is the rapid on-board availability of a measure of the hovering capability of the aircraft. The validity of this measure could be improved with a careful analysis and possible modification of existing data representations. Also, due to the fact that the micro-computer is programmable, alternative methods of solution could be tested until an acceptable technique is developed.

An operational system of this design is applicable to an aircraft model. A system which will produce performance data for a particular aircraft of a model is more desirable but significantly more expensive both for initial installation and subsequent maintenance.

IV. CONCLUSION

A low cost, accurate, effective prototype of a micro-computer-based helicopter flight performance system has been built. Improvements are needed in keyboard design, data input and data storage techniques, but the feasibility of making a helicopter flight performance system work with a microcomputer has been proven. Prior to this, it was known that a man, given the time, could perform the task of figuring out maximum gross weight for hovering. It was also known that a sophisticated, but expensive, computer system could be built to accomplish basically the same task as the pilot except a computer would prove more accurate and faster than an interpolated answer. Now it is known that it is possible to build a less expensive, less sophisticated computer system. This computer system would rely on the pilot to input the desired parameters, but would produce an accurate result for a fraction of the cost of the more sophisticated system.

APPENDIX A

Prototype operation requires depressing a sequence of number keys followed by a control key until all desired input parameter values are loaded. Parameter values for the HGWI/HH-IK must be within the ranges given below. The compute key may be depressed at any time. When the compute key is depressed, the values which are currently in the machine are used for the computation of maximum gross weight for hover.

To clear the values of temperature, altitude and wind speed, one merely depresses the corresponding control key. If one only desires to enter or change one number, all that is necessary is to enter the desired number and then depress the correct key. This will place the new number in the desired location and leave the other two inputs the same as before. The same procedure is followed if more than one number is to be changed.

There are certain ranges for acceptable input values. These are due to the ranges on the graphs and also limitations of the aircraft. If an input number is outside of these ranges, an error will be indicated by all nines appearing on the display. The acceptable ranges are:

TEMPERATURE: -45° C. to 35° C.

WINDSPEED: 0 Knots to 30 Knots

ALTITUDE: 0 Feet to 20,000 Feet

If an error is encountered, one merely depresses the EM

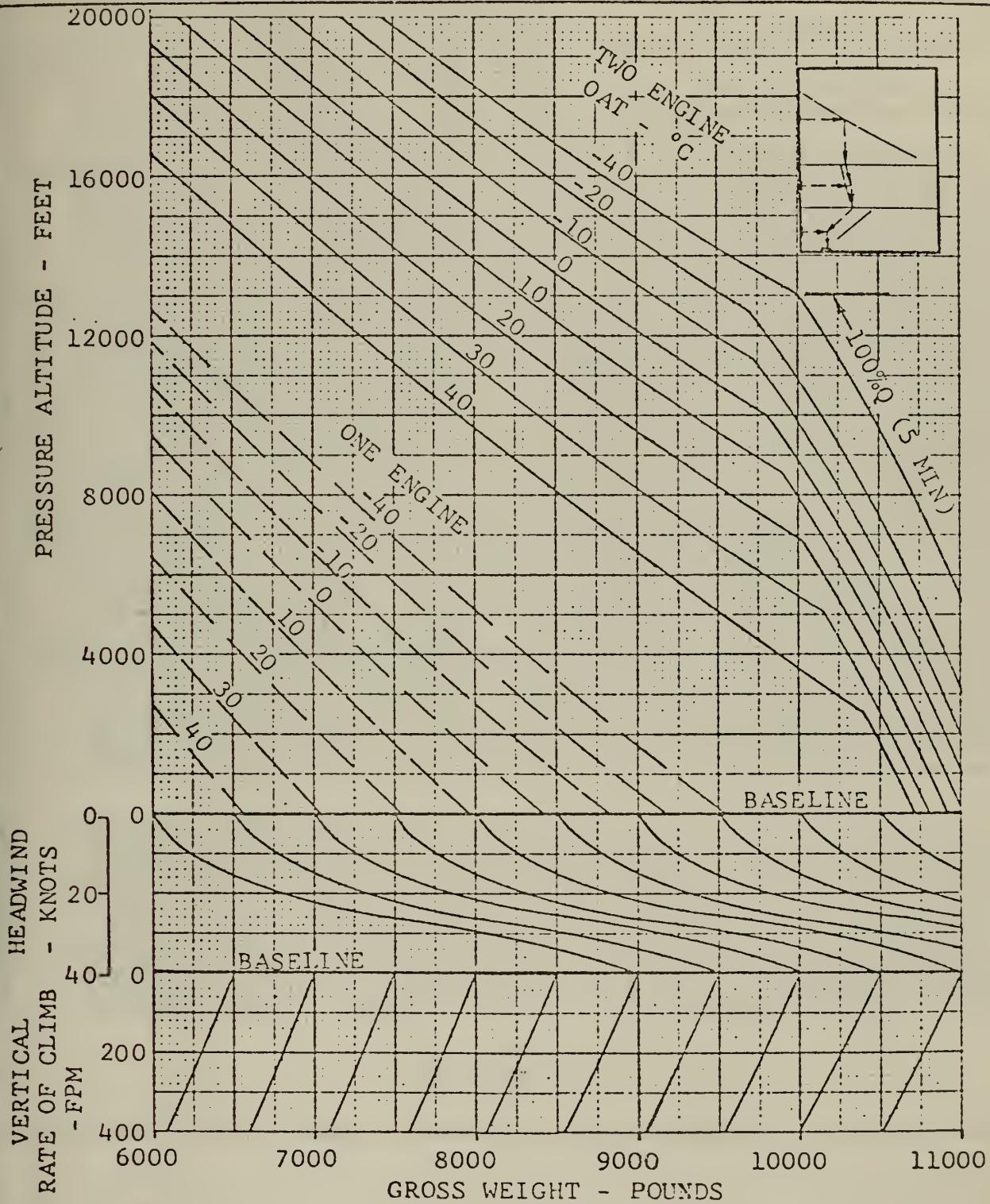
(clear) key and then inputs the correct number. If no error is encountered, the maximum gross weight for hovering will appear in the display after the compute key has been depressed. The pilot must take this number which is displayed and compare it to his present gross weight. From this comparison, the pilot decides whether a landing or take off can be made.

It is possible to recompute the maximum gross weight for hovering with different inputs with this prototype. The pilot merely depresses the clear key to clear the display and then enters the values of pressure altitude, temperature, and/or wind speed he wishes to change. After these are entered, he depresses the compute key and the new gross weight is displayed.

HOVER CEILINGS (OUT OF GROUND EFFECT) - MRP

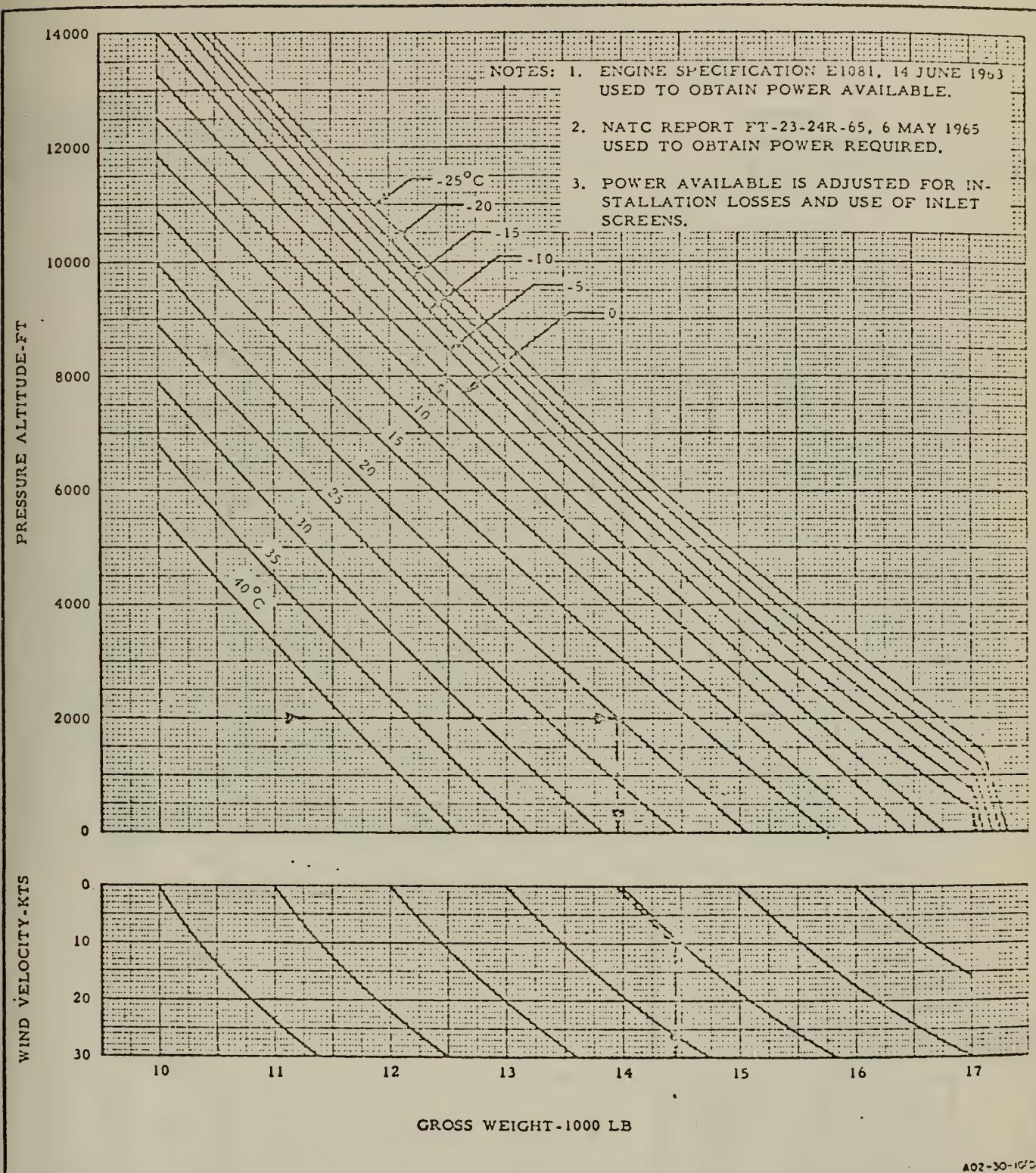
Model(s): UH-1N
 Data as of: January, 1971
 DATA BASIS: Bell Model 212
 Flight Test

Engine(s): T400-CP-400
 Fuel Grade: JP-4/JP-5
 Fuel Density: 6.5 Lb/Gal



MODEL: H-46D
 ENGINE(s): (1)T58-GE-10
 DATA BASIS: ESTIMATED

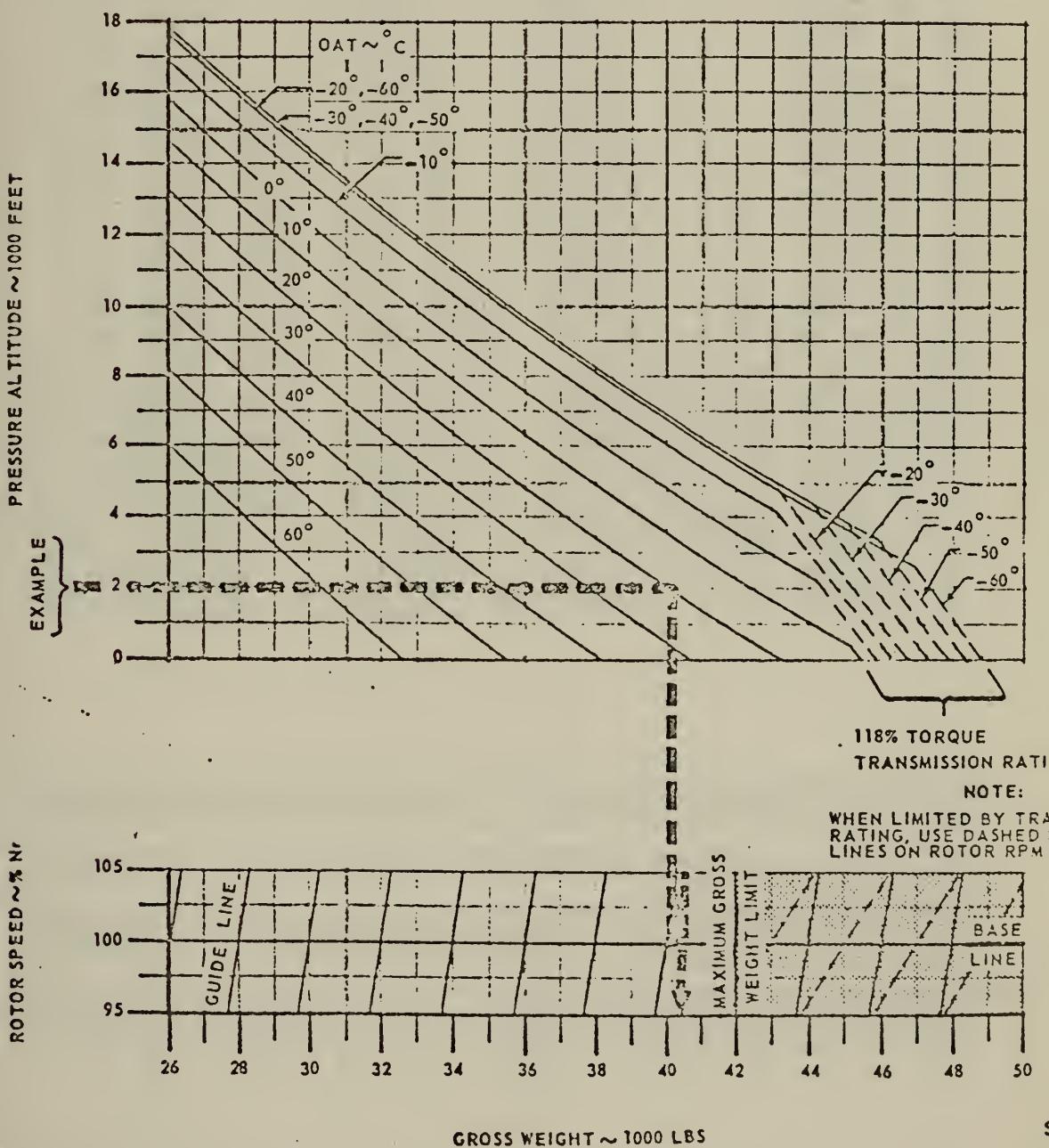
CONFIGURATION: CLEAN
 ROTOR RPM: 100 PERCENT
 FUEL GRADE: JP-4/JP-5



ABILITY TO HOVER OUT OF GROUND EFFECT
AT VARIOUS ROTOR SPEEDS
MILITARY POWER
699°CT 5

MODEL: CH-53D
DATA AS OF: 1 NOVEMBER 1971
DATA BASIS: FLIGHT TEST

ENGINES: (2) T64-GE-413
FUEL GRADE: JP-4/JP-5
FUEL DENSITY 6.5/6.8 LB/GAL



COMPUTER PROGRAM

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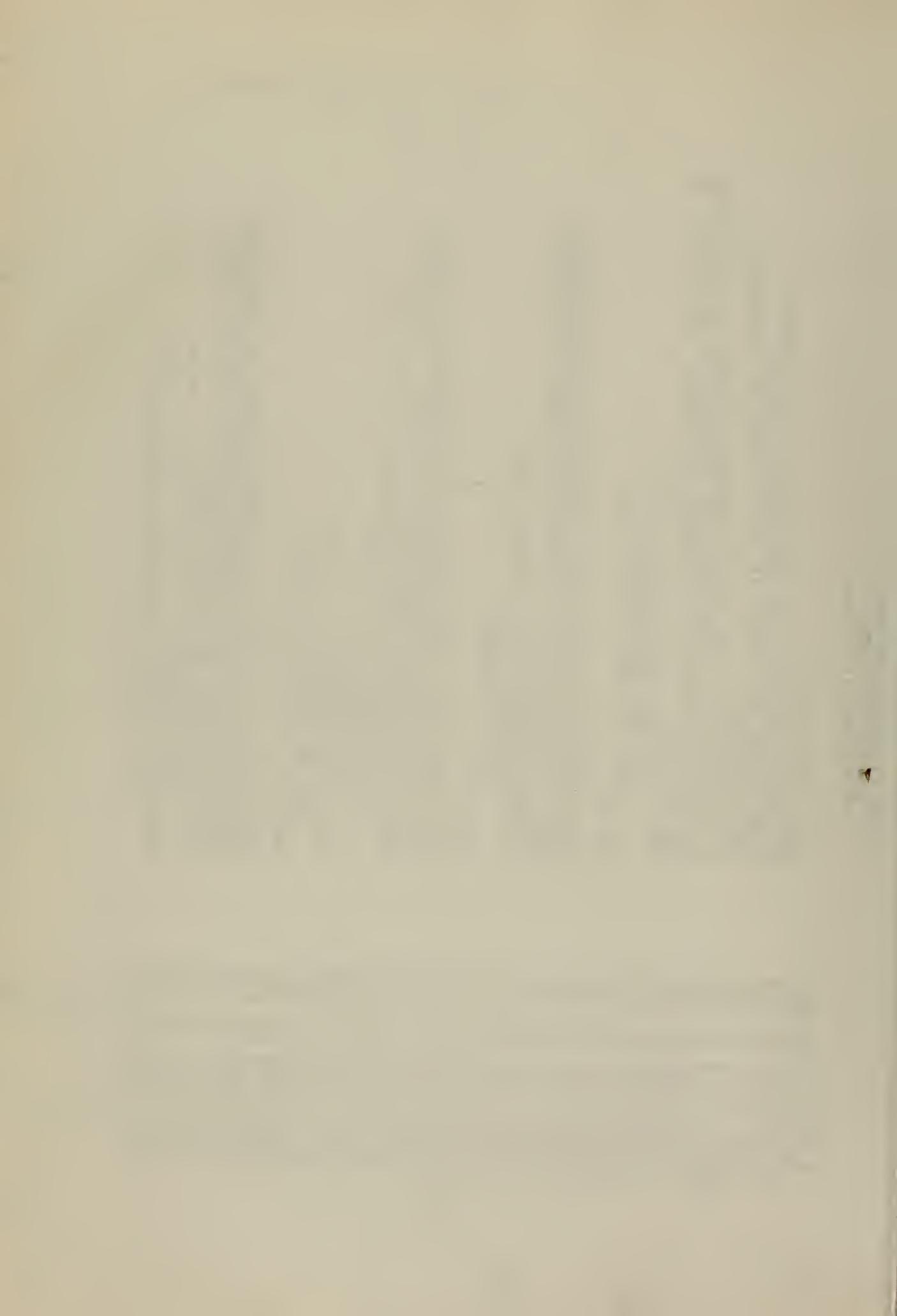
HELIICOPTER: NOP;
REM THESE ROUTINES MANIPULATE 16 DIGIT NUMBERS
IF ONE DESIRES TO USE LESS DIGITS THEN HE
MUST CHANGE CONSTANTS IN THE ARITHMETIC ROUTINES;
JLN CUTCLEAR; REM SUBROUTINE MOVE MESSAGES NUMBERS BETWEEN RAM REGISTERS
IT ASSUMES THE RAM ADDRESS TO BE MOVED IS IN CPU REG AB
AND THE RAM REGISTER YOU WANT THE NUMBER MOVED TO IS IN
CPU REG EF;
MOVE: SRC RA; RCM; SRC RE; WRM;
      INC RF; ISZ RB MCVE;
      SRC RA; RDO; SRC RE; WRO;
      BBL 0;

REM SUBROUTINE COMPLEMENT TAKES THE TENS COMPLEMENT
OF A NUMBER WHICH IS IN A RAM REG. THIS REG ADDRESS
MUST BE IN CPU REG EF BEFORE COMPLEMENT IS CALLED;
COMPLEMENT: CLC;
COMPLE: LDW LO; SRC RE; SWW; CLC;
      DAA; CM C; WRM;
      ISZ RF CMPL;
      BBL 0;

REM SUBROUTINE ADDS COMPUTES THE ADDRESS OF ENTRY
INTO THE TABLE OF CONSTANTS AND LEAVES THIS ADDRESS
IN CPU REGISTER PAIR 0 1;
ADDRS: LDR8 ; DACI; JCN 4 SWITCHA; XCH R8; CLC;
      LD R7; ADD RI; XCH RI;
      JCN 10 HOP;
      INC RO; CLC;
HOP: LD R7; ADD RI; XCH RI;
      JCN 10 ADDRS; JUN ADDRS;
      INC RO; CLC; BBL 0;
      SWITCHA: CLC; BBL 0;

REM SUBROUTINE SETUP IS CALLED BY MULTI TO SETUP THE
SIGNS AND GET THE CORRECT NUMBERS IN THE CORRECT
RAM REGISTERS. IT TAKES CARE OF SETTING UP THE
INITIAL VALUES OF THE CPU REGS;
SETUP: SRC RA; RDO; CLC; RAR; FIM RE "00";
      JCN 2 CM P;
BACK: SRC RC; RDO; CLC; RAR; FIM RE "10";
      JNC 2 CM P2; JUN TOPIT;

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0045 0070 00 046
 0046 0074 00 04A
 0047 0078 00 04E
 0048 0083 00 053
 0049 0087 00 057
 0050 0092 00 05C
 0051 0093 00 05D
 0052 0093 00 05D
 0053 0093 00 05D
 0054 0093 00 05D
 0055 0093 00 05D
 0056 0093 00 05D
 0057 0094 00 05E
 0058 0099 00 063
 0059 0101 00 065
 0060 0105 00 069
 0061 0106 00 06A
 0062 0106 00 06A
 0063 0106 00 06A
 0064 0106 00 06A
 0065 0106 00 06A
 0066 C106 00 C6A
 0067 0114 00 C6A
 0068 0113 00 C6A
 0069 0122 00 C7A
 0070 0126 00 C7E
 0071 0132 00 C84
 0072 0136 00 CEA
 0073 0140 00 C8C
 0074 0146 00 C92
 0075 0148 00 094
 0076 0156 00 09C
 0077 0163 00 0A3
 0078 0165 00 0A5
 0079 0172 00 0AC
 0080 0180 00 CB4
 0081 0183 00 0B7
 0082 C191 00 0BF
 0083 C192 00 0C0

COMPY: JMS CCNPLEMENT; JCN BACK;
 COMPY2: JMS CCNPLEMENT; JCN INIT;
 COPIT: SRC RA; ADD R5; SRC RC; RDO;
 ADD R5; SRC RE; LDM 0; SRC RC; RDO;
 SRC RA; WRO; SRC RC; XCH R5;
 BBL 0;

REM SUBROUTINE SHIFLT SHIFTS THE DESIGNATED RAM
 REGISTER LEFT A DESIGNATED NUMBER OF PLACES. THE NUMBER OF
 PLACES TO BE SHIFTED IS PLACED IN CPU REGISTER PAIR C
 THE RAM REGISTER TC BE SHIFTED SHOULD BE PLACED IN CPU REG
 PAIR E;
 .SHIFLT: NOP;
 SRC RE; RDM; SRC RC; WRM; INC RD;
 ISZ RF; SHIFLT; RDM; ISZ RD; FILLT; CLC;
 BBL 0;

REM SUBROUTINE MULT TAKES TWO SIX DIGIT NUMBERS,
 POSITIVE OR NEGATIVE MULTIPLIES THEM TOGETHER AND PLACES THE
 ANSWERS WITH THE CORRECT SIGN IN RAM REG ZERO. THE
 NUMBERS TO BE MULTIPLIED ARE ASSUMED TO BE IN RAM REGS
 0 AND 1; FIN RE "20"; JMS INIT; JMS SETUP;
 MULT START: LD R2; XCH RB; SRC RA; RDM;
 MULT BEGIN: XCH R6; LD R6; JCN 4 DETOUR;
 XCH R3; LD R3; SRC RC; RCM;
 XCH R7; LD R2; ADD R3; CLC; XCH RF; SRC RE;
 TIPPY: LDM 10; XCH R4;
 LD R7; ADM; DAA; WRM; JCN 10 AROUND;
 TIP: INC RF; TCC; SRC RE; ADM; DAA; WRM;
 AROUND: CLC; LCM 5; SUB R3; CLC; INC R3; JCN 4
 FINISHED: LD R6; DAC; DAC; DAC; XCH RF;
 FINISHED: LDM 0; XCH R3; LD R6; DAC; JCN 4 DETOUR; XCH
 R6;
 ENDING: CLC; LDM 6; SUB R2; CLC; JCN 4 FINI; JUN
 MULT BEGIN;
 DETOUR: LDM 0; XCH R3; INC R2;
 CLC; LDM 6; SUB R2; CLC; JCN 4 FINI; JUN
 MULT START;
 FINI:NOP;
 SRC RE; RDO; CLC;

0124 0272 01 NC11; INC RC; NC11:
 0125 0275 01 ISZ RF LCCP; XCH RB; SRC RA; RDM; WRO; LDM 0;
 0126 0284 01 LDM; RDO;
 0127 0286 01 CLR; JCN 2 BCTCM;
 0128 0290 01 CLEARIT: LDM 3; XCH RB;
 0129 0292 01 LDM O; SRC RA; WRM;
 0130 0295 01 JUN DOWN; XCH RB;
 0131 0297 01 CLEARIT;
 0132 0299 01 BOTTOM: LDM 3; XCH RB;
 0133 0301 01 NEGIT: LDM 9; SRC RA; WRM;
 0134 0304 01 ISZ RB NEGIT;
 0135 0306 01 DOWN:BBL 0;

 REM SUBROUTINE SUBTRACT SUBTRACTS THE NUMBER IN RAM
 REGISTER ONE FROM THE NUMBER IN RAM REGISTER ONE. THE
 ANSWER IN THE CORRECT FORM WILL BE PLACED IN RAM
 ZERO.
 SUBTRACT: JMS INIT; SRC RA; RDO; CLC; RAR;
 SBRT: LDM 10; XCH R6;
 LDM 0; XCH R7;
 CLB;
 SUBT: SRC RC; RDM; SRC RA; SBM; JCN 2 OK;
 ADD: R6; CLC;
 OK: CM; SRC RA; WRM; INC RD; INC RB; ISZ R7 SUBT;
 JUN SENDINGS;
 TOADD: LDM O; JMS ADDIT; FIM RE "00"; JMS COMPLEMENT;
 SENDINGS: LDM 15; XCH RB; SRC RA; RDM; WRC; CLC;
 BBL 0;

 REM SUBROUTINE ADDIT ASSUMES TWO NUMBERS ARE IN RAM RE
 O AND IT TAKES THE NUMBER IN REG 0 AND ADDS IT TO THE NUMBER
 IN REG 1 THE RESULT IS PLACED IN RAM REG 0;
 ADDIT: LDM O; XCH R7;
 ADDITION: CLC;
 ADDSTART: LD R2; XCH RD;
 LD R2; XCH RD;
 SRC RA; RCM; ACM; DAA;
 SRC RA; WRN;
 INC R2;

0168 0369 01
 0169 0371 01
 0170 0377 01
 0171 0378 01
 0172 0378 01
 0173 0378 01
 0174 0378 01
 0175 0378 01
 0176 0381 01
 0177 0386 01
 0178 0389 01
 0179 0392 01
 0180 0392 01
 0181 0392 01
 0182 0394 01
 0183 0396 01
 0184 0400 01
 0185 0404 01
 0186 0408 01
 0187 0412 01
 0188 0414 01
 0189 0414 01
 0190 0414 01
 0191 0414 01
 0192 0414 01
 0193 0418 01
 0194 0425 01
 0195 0425 01
 0196 0425 01
 0197 0427 01
 0198 0428 01
 0199 0431 01
 0200 0434 01
 0201 0436 01
 0202 0440 01
 0203 0444 01
 0204 0445 01
 0205 0449 01
 0206 0452 01
 0207 0453 01
 0208 0453 01
 0209 0453 01
 0210 0453 01
 0211 0459 01
 0212 0459 01

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ISZ R7; ADDSTART; SRC RA; RDM; WRO; CLC;
LDM 15; XCH RB; SRC RA; RDM; WRO; CLC;
DONE: BBL O;
  
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REM SUBROUTINE ASCOL LOOKS AT THE THOUSANDS COLUMN AND
THE HUNDREDS COLUMN OF THE AC WIND GROSS WEIGHT AND SETS UP
THE CPU FOR CCLNUMAS;
ASCOL: LDM 4; SRC R4; SEN;
NEXT: JCN 2 NEXT; INC R5; RDM; JUN NEXT;
      INC R9; SRC R4; RDM;
      XCH R9; CLC; BBL C;
  
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REM SUBROUTINE CCLNUMAS DETERMINES THE CORRECT AIRSPEED
COLUMN TO ENTER THE DATA WITH;
CCLNUMAS: LDM 2; XCH R6;
      CLB; XCH R7;
LOOPS: LD R8; DAG; JCN 1C CCLVALA;
      XCH R8; LD R6; CLC; ADD R7;
      XCH R7; CLB; JUN LCCPS;
      COLVALA: LD R7; TAC; ADD RB; XCH R8;
      CLC; BEL O;
  
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REM SUBROUTINE TESTPA DETERMINES WHETHER THE ENTERED
ALTITUDE IS IN THE RANGE C-20, CCC FEET;
TESTPA: FIM R8 "52"; LDM 2; SRC R8; BYT; CLC; BEL O;
REM SUBROUTINE INITC LCAWS THE PROPER CONSTANTS INTO
THE CPU BEFORE THE GROSS WEIGHT IS CALCULATED;
INITC: JMS LCAWS;
      LD R2;
      XCH R4; LD R3; XCH R5;
      ISZ R1 NOINC; INC RC;
      NOINC: JMS LCAWS;
      LD R2; XCH R6; LD R3; XCH R7;
      ISZ R1 NOINC; INC RO;
      NOINC: JMS LCAWS;
      LD R2; XCH R8; LC R3; XCH RA;
      ISZ R1 NOINC2; INC RO;
      NOINC2: BBL O;
  
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REM SUBROUTINE TEMPCCCL SETS UP THE CPU WITH THE
PROPER NUMBERS FOR ENTRY INTO CCLNUM;
TEMPCCCL: SRC R4; RDM; JCN 4 UPPER; JUN ERRCR;
REM DETERMINE CCLNUM OF TABLE;
UPPER: CLB; XCH R5; SRC R4; RDM;
  
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0213 0463 01 1CF
 0214 0466 01 1D.2
 0215 0469 01 1D5
 0216 0471 01 1D7
 0217 0475 01 1DB
 0218 0475 01 1DB

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0219 C475 01 1DB
 C220 0475 01 1DB
 C221 0475 01 1DF

0222 0483 01 1E3
 0223 0483 01 1E3

0224 0485 C1 1E5
 0225 0487 01 1E7

0226 C489 C1 1E9
 0227 C491 C1 1EB
 0228 C492 C1 1EC
 0229 0492 01 1EC

0230 0492 01 1EC

0231 0492 01 1EC

C232 C492 01 1EC
 0233 0493 01 1ED
 0234 0495 01 1EF
 0235 C497 01 1F1
 0236 0499 C1 1F3
 0237 05C1 C1 1F5
 0238 05C3 01 1F7
 0239 05C5 01 1F9
 0240 C5C7 C1 1FB
 0241 0508 01 1FC
 0242 0508 01 1FC
 0243 0512 C2 200
 0244 0512 02 200
 0245 0512 02 200
 0246 0512 02 200

(1)

0247 0512 02 200
 0248 0512 02 200
 0249 0514 02 202
 0250 0518 C2 206
 0251 0522 C2 20A

INC R5; JCN 4 TENS; REM IF ACC N.E. 0 THEN
 CONTINUE; CLB; IAC; XCH R9; REM PLT CHAR TO BE CHECKED IN R9;
 TENS: SRC R4; RDM; ADD R9; XCF R9; CLC; BBL 0; REM IF THE BORROW
 ADD R9; XCH R6; LD R6; SUB R9; JCN 2 COLVAL; REM IF THE BORROW
 REM SUBROUTINE COLUMN DETERMINES THE PROPER COLUMN
 NUMBER
 TO ENTER THE TEMPERATURE DATA WITH;
 CCLNUM: CLC; LD R6; ADD RA; XCH R6;
 IS NOT USED THEN COLUMN NUMBER IS IN R8;
 ISZ R8 COLUMN; REM IF CCOUNTER STILL IN RANGE
 CONTINUE;
 JUN ERROR;
 COLVAL: CLC; LD R8; REM SET R8 TO COLUMN NUMBER AND
 RETURN; SUB R7; XCH R8;
 BBL 0;

REM SUBROUTINE INIT CLEARS THE ACCUMULATOR AND THE
 CARRY
 THEN PUTS ZEROS INTO CPL REG 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 AND A
 '00'
 IN REG PAIR AB AND A • 10• IN REG PAIR CC AND A • 20• IN
 REG PAIR EF;
 INIT: CLB;
 FIM R2 "CC0";
 FIM R4 "000";
 FIM R6 "000";
 FIM R8 "000";
 FIM RA "000";
 FIM RC "10";
 FIM RE "20";
 BBL 0;

BEGIN 512;
 REM SUBROUTINE LOADROBAS INITIALIZES THE CPU REGISTERS
 WITH CONSTANTS STORED IN FRONT OF THE CONSTANT TABLE
 THE CONSTANTS, TABLE BASE ADDRESS AND NUMBER OF ROWS
 PER
 COLUMN ARE USED TO COMPUTE TABLE ENTRY ADDRESSES.
 LOADROBAS: JMS LAD; REM PUT NO. OF ROWS/COL IN R7;
 LD R3; XCH R7; CLC; LD R1; TCC; ADD RO; ADD R1; XCH R2; XCH RO;
 ADD RO; JMS LAD; LD R2; XCH RO;


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LD R3; XCH R1; CLC; BBL 0;
REM SUBROUTINE ASCHECK CHECKS THE MAGNITUDE OF THE
INPUT WIND SPEED TO INSURE IT IS GREATER THAN CR
EQUAL TO ZERO RA "60"; FIN RC "6A"; MOVE;
ASCHECK: FIM RA; RDM; DAC; TCC; SRC RC;
WRM; INC RB; SRC RC; ADC; WRM;
RDM; SRC M; JCN 2 BYEBYE;
JUN ERROR; RDM; WRI; CLB; WRM;
BYEBYE: RDM; WRI; CLB; WRM;
BBL 0;

REM MAIN PROGRAM BEGINS HERE..;
START: NOP;

REM ZERRO OUT WORKING REGISTERS..;
FIM ZERRO RE "00";
FIM ZERORR RE "10";
FIM ZERORR RE "20";
FIM ZERORR RE "40";
FIM ZERORR RE "7C";
FIM ZERORR RE "90";
FIM ZERORR RE "AO";
JMS INIT; RO "00";
JMS TEMPCOL;
JMS CCLNUM;
JMS CADROBAS;
JMS ADDRS; REM LEAVES RCN ADDR IN RO/1;
FIM RA "10";
FIM SWITCH;
FIM RA "AO";
FIM RE "00";
JMS ZERORR; JMS MOVE;
JMS SUBTRACT; REM LEAVES T1 IN RR-0;
FIM RA "00";
FIM RE "40";
JMS ZERORR; JMS MOVE;

BEGIN 768; FIM RA "40"; FIN RE "00";
START2: JMS ZERORR; JMS MOVE;
FIM RA "10";
JMS SWITCH;
JMS MULT;


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RE "10"; JMS ZERORR;
SRC RA; LCM 1; WRN;
JMS RA "10";
FIM SWITC;
JMS MULT "50"; FIM RE "10";
JMS ZERORR; JMS MOVE;
JMS MULT "00"; FIM RE "03";
JMS SHIFLT;
JMS RA "10";
FIM SWITC;
JMS SHIFRT; FIM RE "1D";
JMS ADDIT;
JMS ARA "00"; FIM RE "7C";
JMS ZERORR; JMS MOVE;
JMS RA "10";
FIM SWITC;
JMS MULT "40"; FIM RE "00";
JMS ZERORR; JMS MOVE;
JMS RA "70"; FIM RE "10";
JMS ZERORR; JMS MOVE;
JMS ADDIT;
JMS RA "00"; SRC RA; RCL;
REM TEST FOR FLAG SET TC INDICATE SECOND ITERATION. ;
JCN 12 XINIT;
REM TEST COMPUTED GROSS WEIGHT FOR POSSIBLE REGION 3.
FIM RA "00"; FIM RE "90"; JMS ZERORR; JMS MCVE;
FIM RA "10"; JMS SWITC; FIM RA "E0"; JMS MCVE;
FIM RE "00"; JMS ZERORR; JMS MOVE;
JMS MULT "10"; JMS SWITC;
FIM RA "1F"; FIM RE "1C";
FIM SHIFRT;
JMS ADDIT;
FIM RA "00"; FIM RE "10"; JMS ZERORR; JMS MCVE;
FIM RA "90"; FIM RE "00"; JMS ZERORR; JMS MCVE;
FIM SUBTRACT; SRC RA; RCL; WRN;
REM TEST FOR GROSS WEIGHT IN REGION 1. ;
JCN 12 START2;

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0300	0301C4	0301C3	0301C2	0301C1	0301C0	0301B	0301A	03019	03018	03017	03016	03015	03014	03013	03012	03011	03010	03009	03008	03007	03006	03005	03004	03003	03002	03001	03000			
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312	314	317	319	31B	31D	323	327	329	32D	331	333	337	339	32B	323	324	325	326	327	328	329	32A	32B	32C	32D	32E	32F	32G	32H	
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FIM RA "90"; FIM RE "1C"; JMS ZERRR; JMS NCVE;
FIM RA "00"; JMS ZERRR; JMS NCVE;
FIM RA "03"; SRC RA; SUBTRACT;
LDM 6; WRM; JMS SUBTRACT;
LDM 8; ADD R1; XCH R0; RDM; WR1;
TCM; RA "OF"; SRC RA; RDM; WR1;
JCN 12 START 2; FIM RE "00"; JMS ZERRR; JMS NCVE;
FIM RA "90"; FIM RE "00"; JMS ZERRR; JMS NCVE;

REM ADJUST NC-KIND GROSS WEIGHT FOR SCALE DIFFERENCE.
XINIT: FIM RE "10"; JMS ZERRR; FIM RE "20";
      JMS ZERRR; FIN RA "10"; SRC RA;
      LDM 5; WRM; FIN RB; SRC RA;
      LDM 2; WRM; JMS MULT; SRC RA;
      FIM RC "00"; FIM RE "02"; JMS SHIFT; FIM RE "10";
      FIM RC "00"; FIM RA "12"; SRC RA; LDM 6;
      JMS ZERRR; FIM RA "00"; FIM RE "90";
      JMS ADDIT; FIM RA "00"; FIM RE "90";
      JMS MOVE;
      JMS MOVE;

BEGIN 1024;
      REM ADJUST COMPUTED X FCR WIND;
      FIM RA "60"; SRC RA; RCI;
      JCN 4 AS ZERO; JMS INIT;
      JMS ASCOL;
      JMS COLNUMAS;
      JMS LOADRCBAS;
      JMS ADDRESS; FIM RC "61"; SRC RC; RDM;
      CLC; FIM DAC; WR1;
      TENDTS: JCN 10 UNITS; SRC RA "10"; JMS SWITCH;
      JCN RE "00"; JMS ZERRR; SRC RE;
      LDM 5; WRM; JMS MULT; SRC RE;
      FIM RA "90"; FIM RE "10"; JMS ZERRR;
      JMS MOVE; JMS ADDIT; FIM RE "90"; JMS ZERRR; JMS NCVE;
      FIM RA "60"; SRC RA;
      CLBITS: RD1; JUN TENKTS;
      UNITIN RE "00"; JMS ZERRR;
      FIM RC "60"; SRC RC; RDM;
      FIM RE "10"; JMS ZERRR; SRC RE; LDM 5;
      FIM RF; SRC RE; LDM 5;

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WRM; JMS MULT; JMS SWITCH; FIM RE "02"; JMS SHIFTL;
FIM RA "10"; RC "00"; FIM RE "02"; JMS SHIFTL;
JMS MULT; FIM RA "90"; FIM RE "10";
JMS ZEROOR; JMS MOVE;
JMS ADDIT; FIM RA "00"; FIM RE "SC"; JMS MOVE;
FIM RE "FC"; JMS MOVE;

ASZERC: NOP;

REM MOVE COMPUTED GROSS WEIGHT TO DISPLAY REGISTER. ;
REM RA "90"; FIM RE "FC"; JMS MCYE;
REM RE "F4";
FILEMUP: SRC RE; LDN "F"; WRN;
ISZ RF FILEMUP;
JUN CHECKNOSTROBE;

BEGIN 1280;
REM SUBROUTINE DELAY IS CALLED TO COMPENSATE FOR
MECHANICAL INSTANCES OF KEYBOARD INPUT. ;
DELAY: FIM RE "00";
ITDELAY: ISZ R7 ITDELAY;
ISZ R6 ITDELAY;
BBL 0;

REM INPUT OUTPUT ROUTINES FCULLCh. ;
CHECK: SRC RC; RDW; IAC; CLC;
JCN ZAC OVERALL;
DAGC; CLC; SRC RE; WRN; INC RF;
ISZ RC CHECK;
OVERALL: BBL C; FIM RE "FO"; JMS "60C";
CHECKSTROBE: FIM RE "10"; SRC RC; RER; RAL;
FIM 10 CHECKSTROBE; JMS DELAY; FIM RC "00"; SRC RC;
JRD: XCH RE;
INC RC; SRC RC; RDR; RAL;
JCN 10 CHECKSTROBE; RAL; JCN 10 NUMBERSIDE;
FIM RO KEYAB; INC RO;
INC RO; INC RD;
INC RC; ADD RD; JCA 10 DC1; INC RO;
CLC; ADD R1; XCH RI;
DC1: CLC; ADD R1; XCH RI;
JCN 10 CC2; INC RO;
DC2: LD RD; JIA RO;
INC RO; INC RD;
NUMBERSIDE: LD RD; JIA RO;
CLC; ADD RD; JCA 10 DC1; INC RO;
DC1: CLC; ADD R1; XCH RI;
JCN 10 CC2; INC RO;
DC2: LD RD; JIA RO;
INC RO; INC RD;
CHECKNOSTROBE: FIM RE "10"; SRC RC;
FIM RC "10"; SRC RC; RDR; RAL; JCA 2 CHECKNOSTROBE;
JUN CHECKSTROBE;

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 REM SCALE INPUT TEMPERATURE WITH 45 DEGREES.
 TEMPERATURE: FIM RE "AC"; JMS ZERORR;
 FIM RC "FO"; JMS CHECK;
 COVEDALL: FIM RE "AO"; SRC RE; RD3; CLC; RAR;
 JCN 2: JUNPY: JUN SHAKY;
 JUMPY: FIM RE "AO"; JMS COMPLEMENT; CLB; WR3;
 SHAKY: SRC RE; CLB;
 LDM 5: ADM; DAA; WRM; LEM 4; INC RF;
 SRC RE; DAA; ADM; INC RF; LDM O;
 RCUND: SRC RE; ADM; DAA; WRM;
 RUND: SRC RE; ADM; DAA; WRM;
 JUN OUTCLEAR: FIM RE "60"; JMS ZERORR; FIM RC "FC";
 JMS CHECK; JMS ASCHECK; JUN OUTCLEAR; JUN
 UNDERALL: JMS ASCHECK; JUN OUTCLEAR; JUN
 ALTITUDE: FIM RE "50"; FIM RC "F2";
 JMS CHECK; JMS TESTPA; JUN OUTCLEAR;
 CVERITI: FIM RA "EO"; SRC RA; WRM; FIM RE
 "FF"; SHIFT; SRC RA; RCM; FIM RA "FO"; SRC RA; WRM;
 JMS CHECKNOSTRCEE; JMS ZERORR; LDM I; SRC RE; WR3;
 NEGATIVE: FIM RE "AO"; JMS ZERORR; LDM I; SRC RE; WR3;
 OUTCLEAR: FIM RE "FO"; CLB; LEM "F"; WRM;
 SFFS: SRC RE;


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CON "1300550C99S1269133100400200078816220410";
CON "0400799177812120641031002691031002";
CON "1752"; JUN CHECKNOSTROBE;
REM SUBROUTINE DISPLAY DISPLAYS THE CHARACTERS IN RAM
REM THROUGH THE USE OF MULTIPLEXING;
DISPLAY: FIM R80; REM ECD PORT;
FIM R16; REM CONTROL PCRT;
LDM O:XCH R2; REM LCOP COUNTERS;
FIM RC204; XCH R4; REM CCNTRL PCRT;
SRC RE: RDO; XCH R6; RDC; XCH R7;
XCH R5; XCH R2; REM PCINT HERE;
REM HANDLE DECIMAL PCINT HERE;
LP: LD R2; REM STC; RAR;
XCH R2; REM DECIMAL EIT IS OFF {1};
LD R4; RAL; XCH R4; JCN 10 CLOCK;
LLC R2; CIC; RAR; XCH R2; REM DECIMAL BIT IS ON
RAL; CIC; RAR; XCH R2; REM DECIMAL BIT IS ON
REM CLOCK SHIFT REGISTER; CLKB; LD R2; SRC RA; WRR; REM SEND DATA BEFORE
CLK SHIFT; SRC RA; WRR; REM CLOCK NOW HIGH (1);
LDM R4; ADD R2; SRC RA; WRR; REM CLOCK NOW HIGH (1);
REM BLANK DISPLAY DURING SHIFT;
LDM 15; SRC RE; WRR; SRC RA;
REM CROP CLOCK; SEND RAM DIGIT;
LDM R2; WRR; RDM; SRC R8; WRR; SRC RF; REM PCINT TO NEXT DIGIT IN RAM;
INC RF; REM PCINT TO NEXT DIGIT IN RAM;
REM MAKE SURE DATA BIT IS ONE DURING REMAINING
SHIFTS TO DISREABLE ALL EIT CNE ANODE;
LDM R2; RAR; DSTC; RAL; XCH R2;
REM WAIT A WHILE (300 USEC???) ; IT;
LDM O:XCH R3; WAIT; ISZ R3 WAIT; REM LOOP BACK TO DISPLAY REMAINING DIGITS;
REM LOOP BACK TO DISPLAY REMAINING DIGITS;
ISZ RC LP; LD R5; XCH R5; LD R4; XCH R6; LDM 12; XCH RC;
ISZ RD LPM; SRC RA; LDM 13; WRR;
LDM 9; REM DP CFF, CLKCK CFF;
BBL 0;
BEGIN "1752"; JUN CHECKNOSTROBE;
CON "AF0BC20FOA925CC1038202005000778114208610";
CON "1300550C99S1269133100400200078816220410";
CON "0400799177812120641031002691031002";

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CON "0800200039811010252C0600080CC110070CC500";
CON "02100700001003100E00010051CC90C01100520";
CON "0010521CC0010CCC0000";
ERROR: FIM RE: "FOR"; LDM 9; WRW;
ERR1: ISZ RF ERR1;
JUN CHECKNOSTROBE;
LOAD: FIN R2;
L1: BBL0;
FIN: NOP;
END

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ABSTRACT This thesis presents the development of a helicopter gross weight calculator. Required qualities for aircraft system components such as durability, reliability, and low weight are met using an LSI micro-processor. The prototype system which was developed weighs approximately four pounds and has approximate dimensions of 7" x 5" x 1/2". The cost estimate for the system is less than \$350. The calculator solution is based on the solution technique currently being used by Naval Aviators which is obtained from nomographs in the aircraft NATOPS manual. Minor modifications are required to make this system applicable to different helicopter types. A listing of the calculator program and a discussion of the prototype's operation are included.		

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